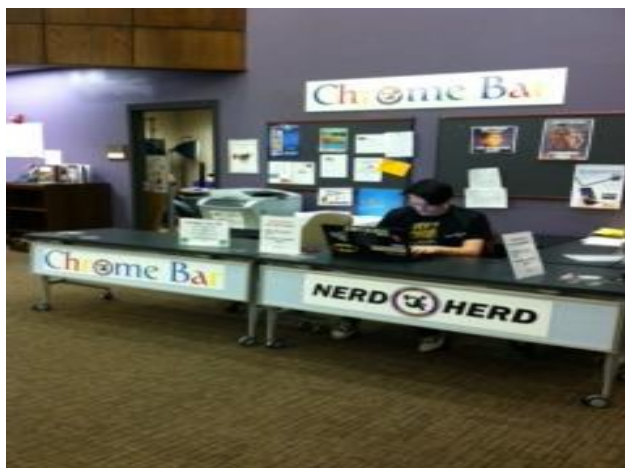


Early College High School Model



Ben Davis University High School is Making it Happen!



WE ARE Ben Davis University High School, a partnership between the Metropolitan School District of Wayne Township and Vincennes University. BDUHS is an early college high school with a 100% graduation rate, the highest in the state of Indiana.

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES BDUHS serves a diverse student population of 358 students which includes 4.7% EL, 2.0% Asian, 33.2% Black, 17.0% Hispanic, 6.7% Multi-racial, 41.1% White and 69.8% qualify for free or reduced price meals.

OUR TEACHERS receive daily professional development time with a focus on best instructional practices and action research.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE is an early college high school model with a 100 percent graduation rate. BDUHS removes the academic, financial and psychological barriers of traditional high school environments while creating support systems to help students aspire to higher learning. Ninety-two percent of BDUHS graduates leave high school with a diploma AND a two-year associates degree from college.

OUR STEPS BDUHS learned from others, but we created our own plan, for our kids, for our community.

We are a small school. Some students thrive in a small-school environment. Students do not get lost in the crowd.

We provide a support system. Every adult at BDUHS knows every student, looks out for students, advocates for them and helps them with their college applications and financial aid forms. Advisory time is built into the schedule of every student. We do not let students fail.

We have an intentional curriculum. The courses either prepare students for college or earn them college credits. Any course that does not transfer to a college track has been eliminated.

We have developed a successful gradual release model. BDUHS starts with a grade-level appropriate instruction and then systematically and gradually lengthens the lecture time and the amount of independent study over three years.

The BDUHS Program Includes

- Internships with business partners
- Project-based learning
- Inquiry-learning where students are encouraged to direct their own learning to follow their interests.
- A summer X-Mester experience at Vincennes University following junior year to prepare students for higher education
- Free tuition to residents of Wayne Township (approved transfers pay a reduced rate not to exceed \$75/credit hr)

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